

**The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Education Commission Meeting
March 18, 2006
9:00 p.m.**

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:20 a.m.

Education Commission Members Present: Chairperson Catherine Laba, Vice-Chairperson Lily Anderson, Secretary Mel Kiogima II, Treasurer Angie Woodin

Absent: Commissioner Winnay Wemigwase

Staff Present: Education Department Director Melissa Claramunt

Motion made by Vice-Chairperson Lily Anderson and supported by Secretary Mel Kiogima II to adopt the agenda as amended for March 18, 2006.

Vote: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Commissioner Winnay Wemigwase), 0 Abstained

Motion Carried

Motion made by Treasurer Angie Woodin and supported by Vice-Chairperson Lily Anderson to go into closed session at 9:23 a.m. for student appeal number 2006-003-018-003.

Vote: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Commissioner Winnay Wemigwase), 0 Abstained

Motion Carried

Motion made by Secretary Mel Kiogima II and supported by Vice-Chairperson Lily Anderson to go out of closed session at 10:44 a.m.

Vote: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Commissioner Winnay Wemigwase), 0 Abstained

Motion Carried

Recess was called at 10:45 a.m.

Meeting reconvened at 10:56 a.m.

Motion made by Vice-Chairperson Lily Anderson and supported by Chairperson Catherine Laba to deny the appeal for appeal number 2006-003-018-003.

Vote: 1 Yes, 3 No (Chairperson Catherine Laba, Vice-Chairperson Lily Anderson, Treasurer Angie Woodin), 1 Absent (Commissioner Winnay Wemigwase), 0 Abstained

Motion Failed

Motion made by Chairperson Catherine Laba and support by Treasurer Angie Woodin to go into closed session at 11:16 a.m.

Vote: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Commissioner Winnay Wemigwase), 0 Abstained

Motion Carried

Chairperson Catherine Laba departs at 11:18 a.m.

Chairperson Catherine Laba returns at 11:30 a.m.

Motion made by Chairperson Catherine Laba and supported by Vice-Chairperson Lily Anderson to go out of closed session at 11:31 a.m.

Vote: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Commissioner Winnay Wemigwase), 0 Abstained

Motion Carried

Public Comment was opened at 11:32 a.m.

Public Comment was closed at 11:33 a.m.

Motion made by Vice-Chairperson Lily Anderson and supported by Treasurer Angie Woodin to approve the work session minutes for February 10, 2006.

Vote: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Commissioner Winnay Wemigwase), 0 Abstained

Motion Carried

Motion made by Treasurer Angie Woodin and supported by Vice-Chairperson Lily Anderson to approve the meeting minutes with corrections for February 11, 2006.

Vote: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Commissioner Winnay Wemigwase), 0 Abstained

Motion Carried

Motion made by Secretary Mel Kiogima II and supported by Treasurer Angie Woodin to accept the Program Director's verbal and written report for March 18, 2006, a copy of the written report being attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Vote: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Commissioner Winnay Wemigwase), 0 Abstained

Motion Carried

Chairperson Catherine Laba departs at 11:57 a.m.

Motion made Secretary Mel Kiogima II by and supported by Vice-Chairperson Lily Anderson to accept the Commission Treasurer's verbal and written report for March 18, 2006.

Vote: 3 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Commissioner Winnay Wemigwase, Chairperson Catherine Laba), 0 Abstained

Motion Carried

Recess was called at .m.

Meeting reconvened at .m.

Motion made by Treasurer Angie Woodin and supported by Vice-Chairperson Lily Anderson to table the Education Commission By-Laws until the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Vote: 3 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Commissioner Winnay Wemigwase, Chairperson Catherine Laba), 0 Abstained

Motion Carried

Motion made by Treasurer Angie Woodin and supported Vice-Chairperson Lily Anderson to table the Education Commission Mission and Vision Statement until the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Vote: 3 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Commissioner Winnay Wemigwase, CL), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion made by Treasurer Angie Woodin and supported by Vice-Chairperson Lily Anderson to pay stipend, mileage, per-diem, and lodging for any commissioner to attend the Michigan Tribal Education Director's Consortium meeting scheduled for July 11-12, 2006 at the LTBB Government Center.

Vote: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Commissioner Winnay Wemigwase), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion made by Vice-Chairperson Lily Anderson and supported by Treasurer Angie Woodin to accept the Commission Chairperson's verbal report for March 18, 2006.

Vote: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Commissioner Winnay Wemigwase), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion made by Treasurer Angie Woodin and supported by Vice-Chairperson Lily Anderson to table the annual review of Commission Policies and Procedures.

Vote: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Commissioner Winnay Wemigwase), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion made by Treasurer Angie Woodin and supported by Vice-Chairperson Lily Anderson to table the Education Commission Mail Policy and Procedure.

Vote: 3 Yes, 1 No (Secretary Mel Kiogima II), 1 Absent (Commissioner Winnay Wemigwase), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

The Commission recessed at 12:54 p.m.

The Commission reconvened at 1:01 p.m.

Motion made by Secretary Mel Kiogima II and supported by Treasurer Angie Woodin to deny the appeal for appeal number 2006-003-018-003, because the Education Commission does not have the authority to overturn Tribal Law.

Vote: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Commissioner Winnay Wemigwase), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion made by Secretary Mel Kiogima II and supported by to Vice-Chairperson Lily Anderson to approve the Inclement Weather-Building Closure Policy and Procedure as presented.

Vote: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Commissioner Winnay Wemigwase), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion made by Secretary Mel Kiogima II and supported by Vice-Chairperson Lily Anderson to request Chairperson Catherine Laba to draft a Confidential Master File Policy & Procedure for submission to the Commission.

Vote: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Commissioner Winnay Wemigwase), 0 Abstained

Motion Carried

Public Comment opens at 2:16 p.m.

Public Comment closes at 2:17 p.m.

Motion made by Treasurer Angie Woodin and supported by Secretary Mel Kiogima II to schedule a work-session for April 7, 2006 at 5:30 p.m.

Vote: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Commissioner Winnay Wemigwase), 0 Abstained

Motion Carried

Motion made by Secretary Mel Kiogima II and supported by Vice-Chairperson Lily Anderson to approve travel, lodging, stipend and per-diem for Commissioner WW to attend the 19th Annual National Conference on Race & Ethnicity in American Higher Education on May 29 – June 4, 2006.

Vote: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Commissioner Winnay Wemigwase), 0 Abstained

Motion Carried

The Commission Recessed at 2:35 p.m.

The Commission Reconvened at 2:36 p.m.

Motion made by Secretary Mel Kiogima II and supported by that any communication from the Education Commission or one of its Commissioners to the LTBB Tribal Council or the Tribal Chairman must be approved by the Education Commission prior to submission, the communication includes but is not limited to letters, reports, public comment and any other form of communication not referenced directly.

Vote: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Commissioner Winnay Wemigwase), 0 Abstained

Motion Fails Due To Lack of Support

Motion made by Vice-Chairperson Lily Anderson and supported by Treasurer Angie Woodin to adjourn the meeting at 2:40 p.m.

Vote: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Commissioner Winnay Wemigwase), 0 Abstained

Motion Carried

Respectfully Submitted:

Mel Kiogima II, Secretary

Approved: April 8, 2006